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SUBJECT: UK AGRICULTURE MINISTER TELLS UK FARMERS TO BE
CALM OVER EC PRICE REVIEW NEGOTIATIONS

1. IN AN ADDRESS TO /UK NATIONAL FARMERS' UNION COUNCIL
IN LONDON APRIL 20. UK AGRICULTURE MINISTER JOHR SILKIN
SPOKE RATHER SHARPLY TO BRITISH FARMERS ABOUT THEIR
ATTITUDE TOWARDS HMG APPROACH TO CAP PRICE NEGOTIATIONS
AND GREEN POUND DEVALUATION DUE TO BE RESUMED IN
LUXEMBOURG NEXT WEEK.

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2. SILKIN ASKED FARMERS TO AVOID "GETTING HYSTERICAL"
ON THE EVE OF THESE NEGOTIATIONS AND TOLD THEM TO GET
THEIR FACTS STRAIGHT. HE SAID HE HOOED TO RETURN WITH
PACKAGES FAIR TO BOTH THE INDUSTRY AND NATION AS A
WHOLE.

3. HE SAID WHAT HE NEEDED NOW WAS CALMNESS FROM THE

INDUSTRY. "YOU HAVE TO BE A VERY GOOD DRIVER NOW TO KEEP THE CAR ON THE ROAD IF SOMETHING IS CONTINUALLY LOGGING YOUR ELBOW." SILKIN CLAIMED THE RIGHT FOR A SUSPENSION OF JUDGEMENT UNTIL THE COMPLETION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS AND ASSURED FARMERS HE APPRECIATES THE NEED FOR SUPPORT PRICES WHICH WILL SAFEGUARD GROWTH AND PROSPERITY IN BRITISH AGRICULTURE.

4. HE REMINDED THEM THAT THEY WILL IN ANY CASE RECEIVE SUPPORT PRICES WHICH WILL INCLUDE THE FINAL TWO TRANSITIONAL STEPS. ONCE AGAIN, NEVERTHELESS, SILKIN POINTED OUT HE MUST ENSURE THAT CONSUMER INTERESTS WERE LOOKED AFTER AND THAT COMMUNITY POLICIES MUST TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE NEED TO REDUCE STRUCTURAL SURPLUSES.

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